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Today's Topics:
          How can a WA4xxx call belong to a novice? (2 msgs)
                Re: all of this closed repeater stuff

We trust that readers are intelligent enough to realize that all text
herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: Wed, 3 Feb 1993 14:00:41 GMT
From: mvb.saic.com!unogate!news.service.uci.edu!usc.edu!zaphod.mps.ohio-state.edu!
sol.ctr.columbia.edu!news.unomaha.edu!cwis.unomaha.edu!rerickso@network.UCSD.EDU
Subject: How can a WA4xxx call belong to a novice?
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

Maybe it was a FCC software problem? I know the FCC began to
issue WC0XXX calls in the past but eventually skipped to WD0XXX
calls because the WC0XXX calls were too similar to calls in
another FCC radio service. Ask the ARRL at: 215502@mcimail.com .
If the ARRL can not give you a straight answer on the subject,
no one else can either.

73,

Ron
AK0N

Date: Wed, 3 Feb 1993 13:23:28 GMT

rossi@gvlf9-q.gvl.unisys.com (Pete Rossi) writes:
>I worked a station in the novice roundup this past weekend with a 2 X 3
>WA4xxx type call. He was signing /N.
>How can this be? Back in the 70's before the current callsign structure

As some posters have mentioned, after about 1975 the FCC stopped issuing
WN calls to Novices and just issued standard calls. There is
another possibility, however, the same one which allowed me to get my
WN call back:

In late 1977 and early 1978, the FCC allowed you to request any previously
held callsign as long as it was not held by someone else within the last
year (renewal grace period). So it's possible that this person had the
WA4 callsign years back, and got a Novice license in 1977 and then
requested their previous callsign.

Here's an even more interesting Novice call from the server:

Call-Sign: K4BVJ   Class: NOVICE
Real Name: BURRELL M RHODES   Birthday: JAN 13, 1922
Mailing Address: RT 2 BOX 116C, WHITTIER, NC 28789
Station Address: 5 MIW OF SYLVA 5 MI E OF WHITTIER ON RT 2 1 MI OF RT 441,
WHITTIER, NC
Valid From: JAN 31, 1984   To: JAN 31, 1994
Records Last Processed: JAN 31, 1984

This person was obviously licensed as a Technician or higher around 1955,
and allowed their license to expire, and picked up their old call
in 1977 or 1978. Very few Novice 1x3s!

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P.O. Box 217122   MCI Mail: JCOVINGTON 342-6957
Charlotte, NC 28221-7122 Packet Radio Mail: WN4BBJ @ N7IJI.#CLT1.NC.USA.NA
(704) 537-7653   "Kenneth, what's the frequency?" "I dunno, ask Dan"

Subject: Re: all of this closed repeater stuff
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

Well said!

- Skip AA6WK

Date: Wed, 3 Feb 1993 15:15:41 GMT
From: mvb.saic.com!unogate!news.service.uci.edu!usc.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!
bogus.sura.net!udel!gatech!emory!rsiatl!ke4zv!gary@network.UCSD.EDU
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

References <C1Mv2v.sp@amdcl2>, <1kfnc3INNcjd@network.ucsd.edu>,
<3141@eram.esi.COM.AU>d.res
Reply-To : gary@ke4zv.UUCP (Gary Coffman)
Subject : Re: Pres. Clinton speech via Packet?

In article <3141@eram.esi.COM.AU> dave@eram.esi.COM.AU (Dave Horsfall) writes:
>In article <1kfnc3INNcjd@network.ucsd.edu>,
>   brian@ucsd.edu (Brian Kantor) writes:
>| A local station used to transmit the New Testament as code practice.
>| Dunno why he stopped; perhaps he was struck by lightning.
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>Or possibly he was in violation, by transmitting religious material
>(that is certainly the case in Australia).

Well some folks claim the Bible is indecent, what with those shameless
naked people and the Sodomites and all, and there are a lot of 'hell's
and 'damn's in there, but the New Testament is pretty clean. The government
isn't allowed to muck about much with religious expression over here.
Revelations might be considered a cipher though.

Gary
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Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it, | gatech!wa4mei!ke4zv!gary
Destructive Testing Systems | we break it. | uunet!rsiatl!ke4zv!gary
534 Shannon Way | Guaranteed! | emory!kd4nc!ke4zv!gary
Lawrenceville, GA 30244 | |

Date: Wed, 3 Feb 1993 16:56:31 GMT
From: news.cerf.net!netsys!agate!spool.mu.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!
zaphod.mps.ohio-state.edu!saimiri.primate.wisc.edu!caen!nic.umass.edu!umassd.edu!
ulowell!das.wang.com!wang!dbushong@network.
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

References <1993Jan28.211130.16685@nntpd2.cxo.dec.com>,
<1993Jan29.233654.29325@newshost.lanl.gov>, <C1r82s.A7x@unccsun.uncc.edu>e
Subject : Re: My call sign : (

wlhamaty@unccsun.uncc.edu (W Luke Hamaty) writes:

>In article <1993Jan29.233654.29325@newshost.lanl.gov> tjf@beta.lanl.gov (Tom J
Farish) writes:
>>By the way, the operator priviledges listing
>>is just "technician"...no indication that I
>>did in fact pass the 5 WPM test. Do I have
>>to keep my certificate of completion with the
>>license is there no distiction on the license
>>itself? I passed the written and code tests
>>the same session.

>Yes, you do have to keep the CSCE indefinitely, or at least until you get
>your General.

It depends on what he wants to do. If the FCC cites him for operating
beyond his privileges, they have the burden of proof that he is
operating illegally. In such a case, they would produce the 610
and whatever test materials they had, and thereby he'd be cleared.
In order to upgrade to General, he would have to take a new code
test (13 wpm) so the CSCE for 5 wpm would have no value. Probably
the only thing he would need the CSCE for is if he want to guest
operate somewhere and needed to show that he was authorized.

>Congratulations and enjoy! What is the callsign?

Same here - congrats!

73,
Dave
kz1o
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